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re application of: Kameswari S. Konduri, et al
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Examiner: Kevin K. Hill
Art Unit: 1633

For: A Sterically Stabilized Carrier For Aerosol
Therapeutics, Compositions And
Methods For Treating Diseases Of
The Respiratory Tract Of A Mammal

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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 6, 2008, an extendible one-month time for response having been reset to begin August 12, 2008 and hereby extended by a Request for Extension of Time for one month to extend to October 12, please consider the amendments to the attached Appeal Brief.

The initial Office Action in this matter was mailed February 6, 2008 but was not received by Applicants. The time for response was reset as a result of an interview with Examiner Hill.

The courtesy and cooperation of the Examiner interview extended by Examiner Hill is acknowledged with appreciation.

At this interview, no discussion of the merits of the required changes or the Brief occurred. The sole subject for discussion was that the last Notification of Non-Compliant Brief dated February 6, 2008 which had only recently come to Applicants' attention had not been received by Applicants. Examiner Hill agreed to reset the time for response to begin August 12, 2008.

Applicants again express appreciation for the interview extended by Examiner Hill.

In the Brief, the claim numbers have been revised to that shown by the Examiner.

Applicants have attempted to enter a brief record of all amendments entered up to and including the Amendment after Final as well as the Advisories mailed to Applicants requesting amendments to the Applicants' Brief.

The Examiner has suggested that certain of Applicants' claims do not annotate other claims. It is not clear to Applicants what is intended by this objection but to remedy this rejection a copy of the claims as submitted with the last entered amendment as well as a clean copy of the claims currently under appeal are attached.

The Examiner has pointed out that some claims recite dependence on cancelled claims. Unfortunately Applicants are unable to correct this oversight at this point.

There was an objection to the rejections under 112. Applicants have combined the 112 rejections into a single ground for appeal and addressed this ground in the Brief.

Applicants' attorney is of the opinion that the Brief on Appeal is now in condition for hearing. However, in the event that further revisions are necessary, please advise Applicants' attorney of any further needed revisions and they can be quickly made and returned to the Patent Office.

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One copy of the Further Amended Brief on Appeal is attached hereto.

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Applicants consider that no additional fees are due for the filing of this Further Amended Brief on Appeal, but in the event that any additional fees are payable, please charge any such fees to Deposit Account 500232.

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